

RED ADVANCE GAINS MOMENTUM

Weather
Forecast: Cloudy with occasional rain tonight and Friday; little change in temperature.
Temp. _____
Highest yesterday _____
Lowest this morning _____
Precip. past 24 hours _____

MEDFORD



TRI-BUNE

Thirty ninth Year

MEDFORD, OREGON, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1944

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RETREATING NAZIS BLOW UP BRIDGES OVER INDE RIVER

Hodges' Army Thrown Out of Lamersdorf; Germans Show Signs of Cracking.

Paris, Nov. 30—(U.P.)—German troops withdrawing toward the Roer line blew up the Inde river bridges at Inden and Lamersdorf today as the battle of the Cologne plain went into its third week and two American armies hammered out gains measured by feet instead of yards.

Nazis Cracking

With the Cologne battle roaring toward a climax and the nazis showing signs of cracking under the terrific American pressure, a spokesman for Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower announced that "the time has come" to instruct foreign workers in the Rhineland and Ruhr on what to do when the allies arrive.

Some Not So Good

It added, however, that officials of both the Swiss government, who represent American interests in the Far East, and the International Red Cross, have not been permitted to visit all Japanese prison camps and that "it is reliably known that the treatment accorded to prisoners of war becomes less good the farther the camps are removed from Japan proper."

Stettinius Delayed Defense Is Charge By G.O.P. Senator

Washington, Nov. 30—(U.P.)—The senate today confirmed the nomination of Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., to succeed Cordell Hull as secretary of state over the objection of Sen. William Langer, R., N. D.

Winston Churchill Observes Birthday Hale and Hearty

London, Nov. 30—(U.P.)—Britain's No. 1 warrior—Prime Minister Winston Churchill—observed his 70th birthday today far healthier and happier than on that gloomy day in 1940 when he took the leadership of his country to start it on the road to victory.

Accused Man Claims Attack Made With Robbery Aim; Most of Crimes Admitted.

Closing arguments in the trial of Fred A. Bailey, charged with first degree murder for the slaying of Ira Clyde Carman started this afternoon in circuit court. The case is expected to be in the hands of the jury late this afternoon.

BAILEY ON STAND ADMITS STRIKING CARMAN ON HEAD

Washington, Nov. 30—(U.P.)—President Roosevelt intervened today in the latest intramural squabble to plague his administration by dismissing Assistant Attorney General Norman M. Littell on grounds of "in-subordination" to Attorney General Francis Biddle.

ROOSEVELT FIRES BIDDLE ASSISTANT TO HALT QUARREL

Near Half of Americans Drink Alcoholic Beverages

Portland, Ore., Nov. 30—(U.P.)—How extensively is drinking in these United States? Nearly half the nation's citizens over 15 years of age—or 40 to 50 million of them—indulge in alcoholic beverages, says Edward G. Baird of Yale university.

FIFTH MEMBER OF ASHLAND GANG IS HANDED SENTENCE

Ashland, Nov. 30—Robert Westie McGilvray, 15, was convicted in city court this morning on a charge of trespassing, involving gas stealing at Jansen Lumber Co. He was fined \$15 and \$2.50 court costs and given 15 days in city jail.

BALCONY BATTLE AT DORSEY HOME TOLD BY SINGER

Hollywood, Nov. 30—(U.P.)—Troubled by occasional lapses of memory, Jane Churchill, a singer who'd like to be in the movies, today recounted the balcony battle in which somebody nearly killed Actor Jon Hall.

TOBACCO RATIONS FOR U. S. TROOPS

London, Nov. 30—(U.P.)—American non-combat troops based in the United Kingdom will receive a weekly ration of two packages of American cigarettes or five cigars, or two packages of pipe tobacco, beginning Monday, Dec. 4, it was announced today.

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SEDITION JUDGE DIES SUDDENLY

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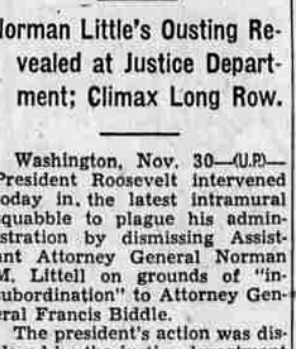
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REVIEW CONDITION OF YANKEES HELD IN PRISON CAMPS

Washington, Nov. 30—(U.P.)—The house military affairs committee reported today that Americans held in German and Japanese prison camps are generally being treated in accordance with the 1929 Geneva convention and that there is no "coddling" of axis prisoners in this country.

BORN IN MARION

Bailey testified he was born in Marion, Ind., where his aged parents, both now 79, reside. His father, a music teacher, had taught music to his son, who at times played in orchestras, he related.

DRUNK ON WINE

Bailey further testified under state examination, that last September 2, while drinking wild blackberry wine with others in the prison camp, he became intoxicated. He testified he then decided to borrow some money and go to Hill, Cal., in the camp wagon. While taking the station wagon the horn started to sound, due to a crossed wire. He stopped it and pushed the station wagon down the road, and repaired the defect.

EQUITABLE AIDS BOND DRIVE WITH \$25,000

Equitable Savings and Loan association of Portland has allocated \$25,000 in war bonds to Jackson county's quota in the current war loan drive, according to an announcement made today by Clinton Spencer of the Spencer-Bagley agency, local representatives of the association.

PICKED UP SOLDIER

Upon arriving here, Bailey said, he met a soldier hitchhiking and picked him up. The soldier said he wanted to go to Camp White and had a friend at the Jackson Hotel. Later he picked up the soldier's friend and a civilian and started for Camp White. En route, Bailey declared, the party took a drink from a bottle of whiskey. After delivering the soldiers at Camp White they gave him the remainder of the whiskey and with the civilian he drove away. Later the fatal robbery attempt occurred in Central Point, the defendant testified.

ARREST NEAR YREKA, THE FOLLOWING DAY WAS INTRODUCED AS EVIDENCE.

The district attorney questioned Bailey at considerable length on his records and motives, during the morning session. Only half a dozen spectators were in the courtroom.

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